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1. The 7 November Agricultural Equipment Plant in Craiova was formerly called the Bratasanu Metalworks. After the Soviet occupation of Rumania, the factory was considerably expanded and reequipped. The installation now consists of the old buildings, called the Central Buildings in which 200 workers are employed, and those recently built on Matei Basarat Street, 250 meters from the Orthodox Cathedral, known as the Branch Buildings, in which 600 workers are employed.
2. The Branch Buildings of the 7 November Plant manufactures manual and animal-drawn agricultural machinery, reportedly of Soviet design, which includes sowing, mowing, raking and other machines. It also manufactures farm tools such as hoes, picks, hammers, pitchforks, etc. An important section of the plant manufactures narrow-gauge dump cars, used chiefly in mines. About 200 dump cars are said to be produced monthly from raw materials which come from Resita or Hunedoara.
3. The farm machines are painted green and red and the dump cars are painted brown and yellow. The painting is done by sprayer in a shed of the shipping yard in the immediate vicinity of the railway station. Four narrow-gauge cars can be loaded in one standard railway car. The entire narrow-gauge car production is said to be intended for the USSR.
4. The attached sketch shows the layout of the Matei Basarat Street Branch of the plant.

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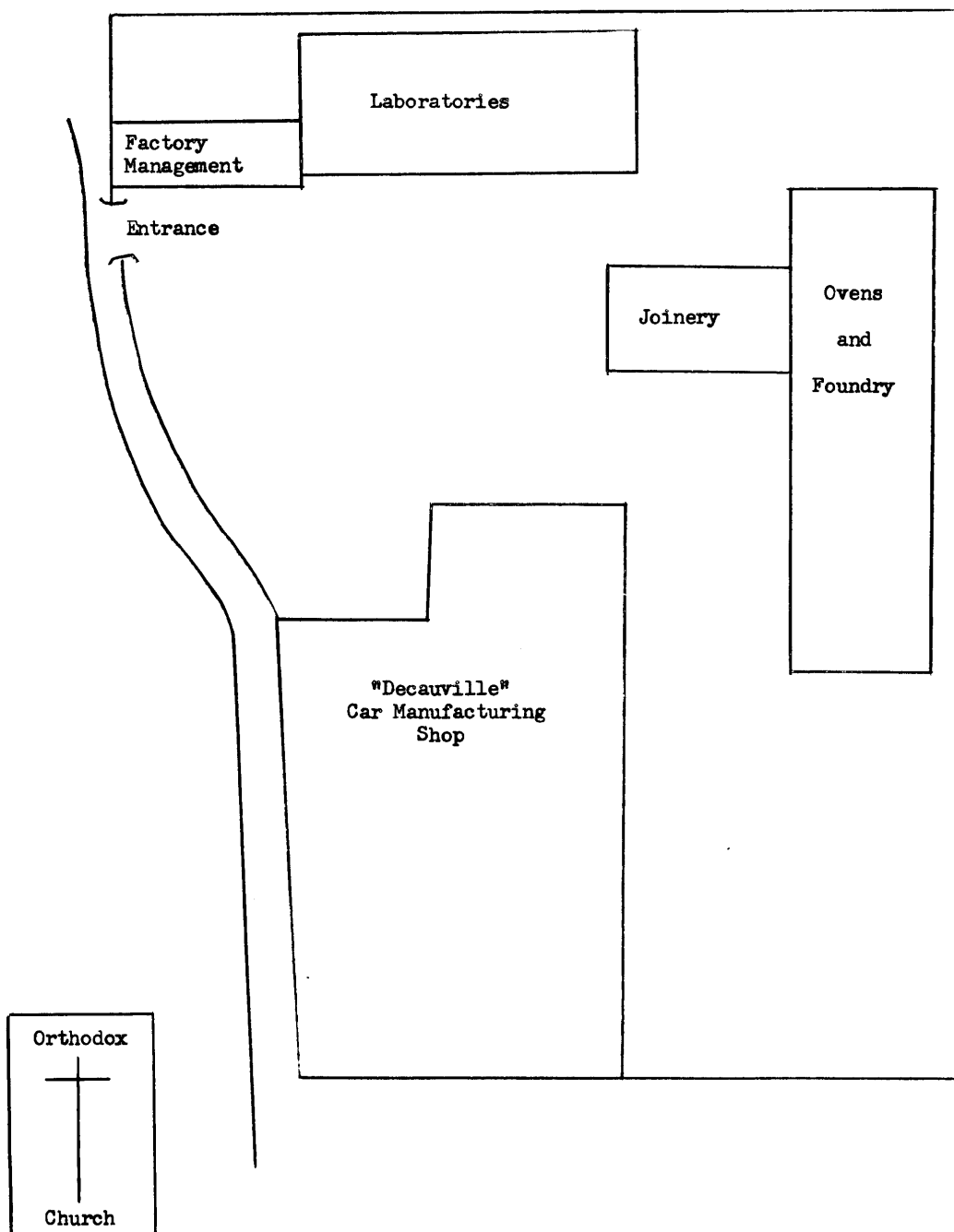
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